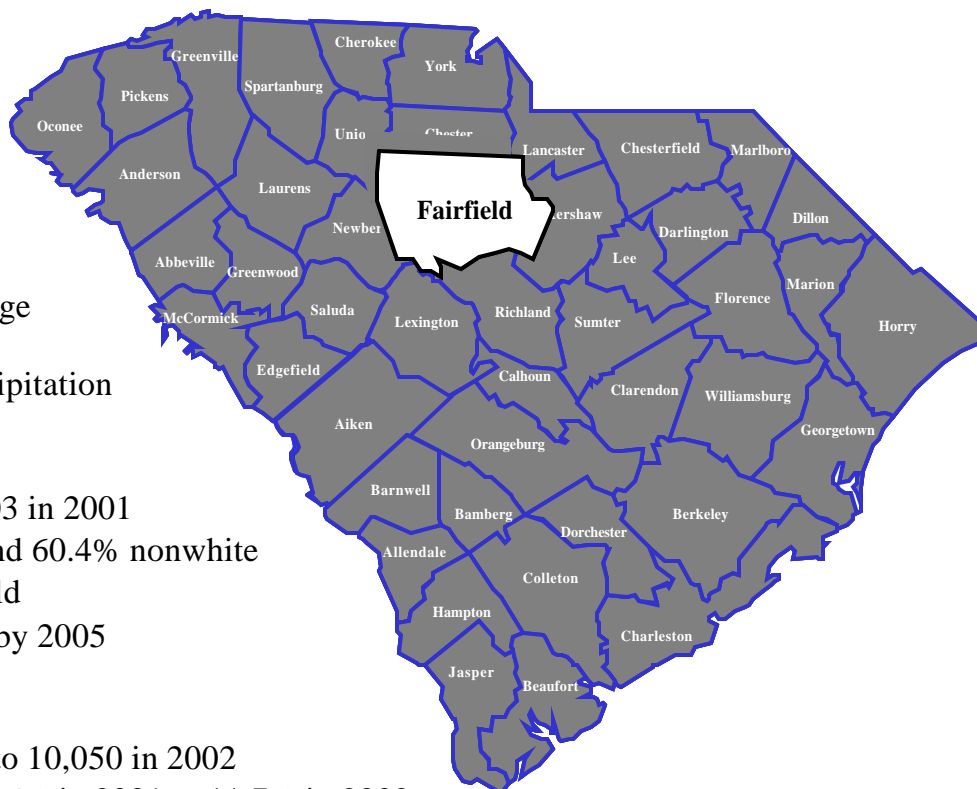


Spotlight on Fairfield County...

Location & Climate

- Located in the Central area of the state
- Surrounded by Chester, Kershaw, Lancaster, Newberry, Richland, and Union Counties
- This climatic region has an average temperature of 61.9 degrees and experiences 45.39 inches of precipitation



Population

- Equaled approximately 23,703 in 2001
- Comprised of 39.6% white and 60.4% nonwhite
- Median age was 36.9 years old
- Estimated to grow to 24,400 by 2005

Labor Force

- Decreased from 10,290 in 2001 to 10,050 in 2002
- Unemployment rate fell from 12.6% in 2001 to 11.7% in 2002

Employment

- Average monthly employment for the County was 8,870 in 2002

Per Capita Income

- Per capita income for the County was \$21,878 in 2001
- It was 88% of the state's PCI of \$24,840

Unemployment Insurance Benefits

The Winnsboro Workforce Center, serving Fairfield County, paid \$4,480,196 in regular U.I. benefits during calendar year 2002.

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